



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Lineage and Honors

**1st BATTALION, 16th INFANTRY REGIMENT
(SEMPER PARATUS)**

Constituted 3 May 1861 in the Regular Army as Company A, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry

Organized in September 1861 at Fort Independence, Massachusetts

Reorganized and redesignated 5 December 1866 as Company A, 11th Infantry

Consolidated 6 April 1869 with Company A, 34th Infantry (see ANNEX), and consolidated unit redesignated as Company A, 16th Infantry

(16th Infantry assigned 8 June 1917 to the 1st Expeditionary Division [later redesignated as the 1st Infantry Division])

Reorganized and redesignated 15 February 1957 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battle Group, 16th Infantry, and remained assigned to the 1st Infantry Division (organic elements concurrently constituted and activated)

Relieved 13 March 1959 from assignment to the 1st Infantry Division and assigned to the 8th Infantry Division

Reorganized and redesignated 1 April 1963 as the 1st Battalion, 16th Infantry

Relieved 25 April 1963 from assignment to the 8th Infantry Division and assigned to the 1st Infantry Division

Inactivated 15 May 1991 in Germany

Activated 16 July 1991 at Fort Riley, Kansas

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DECORATIONS

*Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered MATEUR, TUNISIA

*Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered SICILY

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered NISCEMI, SICILY

*Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered NORMANDY

*Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered HURTGEN FOREST

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered HURTGEN FOREST AND
WEISWEILER, GERMANY

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered HAMICH, GERMANY

*Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered AL ANBAR PROVINCE

*Army Superior Unit Award, Streamer embroidered 2006-2009

*French Croix de Guerre with Palm, World War I, Streamer embroidered AISNE-
MARNE

*French Croix de Guerre with Palm, World War I, Streamer embroidered MEUSE-
ARGONNE

*French Croix de Guerre with Palm, World War II, Streamer embroidered KASSERINE

*French Croix de Guerre with Palm, World War II, Streamer embroidered NORMANDY

*French Medaille Militaire, Fourragere

*Belgian Fourragere 1940

*Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action at Mons

*Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action at Eupen-Malmedy

*Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM
1965-1968

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*Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM
1969

*Republic of Vietnam Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class, Streamer embroidered
VIETNAM 1965-1970

Company B additionally entitled to:


Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered AFGHANISTAN APR-DEC 2011

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ SEP
2006-AUG 2007

Company C additionally entitled to:

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ OCT
2006-JUN 2007

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:


CHARLES R. BOWERY, JR.
Chief of Military History

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